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Mr D Griffiths  
Secretary  
Co-operative Federation of Victoria Ltd  
71 Franciscan Avenue  
Frankton  
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Dear David

## Re: Heritage Lottery Fund award

Thank you for your kindness in providing a letter of support for our project  
*ROCHDALE: Renewing Our Co-operative Heritage, Developing the Archive and Learning Experiences.*

I am pleased to report that the Heritage Lottery Fund have awarded us a Stage One pass and a development grant of £136,000 to further develop plans and do preparatory work for the project.

The project, has a total budget of £2.3 million and involves major renovation to the Rochdale Pioneers Museum, conservation work in the National Co-operative Archive and the development of learning resources using materials from the Museum and Archive.

While a Stage One Pass does not guarantee funding, it is an indication of positive support. The development work will be completed in September 2009 and we will hear if we have been successful at Stage Two at the beginning of 2010.

We are in the process of putting together a press release to go to a range of newspapers to publicise the project. If you have any suggestions about where we should publicise the project, please let me know. I can be contacted at 0161 246 2925 or [gillian@co-op.ac.uk](mailto:gillian@co-op.ac.uk).

Thank you again for your help in supporting the Bid.

Yours sincerely

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